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1. There was an airfield about 2 km southwest of Hvezdov (O 51/F 95), about 1,500 meters southwest of the road junction at the western exit of Plouznice (O 51/F 95). The field which extended about 4,000 meters from northwest to southeast, was surrounded by woods. \* The area of the field was cleared, but many tree stumps were still seen. The field was uneven and rose slightly toward the Vimon-Kurivody (O 51/F 94) highway. The soil was sandy. Most of the construction work was done by civilian workers only, while the heavy work was done by the 51st Tech Bn (Pomocny Technicky Prapor) (PTP). A surfaced runway, which, according to construction workers, was 2,500 meters long and the width of which was estimated by source at 80 meters, was under construction. The runway was covered by concrete slabs the joints of which were filled with asphalt. A concrete drainage system consisting of pipes 80 cm in diameter with receptacles placed at 100 meters intervals led along the north side of the runway. A concrete site about 600 x 50 meters was north of the runway. Drainage ditches about 3 meters deep and 1.2 meters wide were being dug between this concrete site and the runway.
2. No hangars were observed at the field. The only buildings seen were 10 to 12 low wooden buildings in the northwestern corner of the installation.\*\*\* These buildings quartered civilian workers and the soldiers of the 51st Tech Bn. No equipment storages, excavation work, or staking off of building sites were seen. A road from the west and another one from about due north entered the area of the field. Both were dirt roads. The postal address of soldiers of the 51st Tech Bn in Hvezdov was Military Administration Vimon, Post Office Box Z.
3. Hradcany airfield (O 51/F 94) near Minon (O 51/F 95) was being enlarged during the summer of 1951. Concrete taxiways, some leading directly into the woods, were being built. Large concrete mixing machines were seen. Up to 1950 a parachute training center had reportedly been located at the field. In 1951 elements of a pilot school were said to have been transferred from Slovakia to the field. \*\*\*

25X1A [redacted] For location and sketch of the field, see Annex.

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[REDACTED] underground hangars are being built at this field, which was formerly known as [REDACTED] airfield. [REDACTED] indicates that the field is being used as a training base for jet pilots.

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[REDACTED] This statement refers to the airfield used by the parachute training center in Zakupy (O 51/P 85). [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The field seems to be identical with the installation described in paragraphs 1 through 2. The reported transfer of a school to this field appears probable.

Annex: 1 - sketch on ditto.

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